

I claim:

1. A topical composition for the treatment of pain comprising by weight percent of the total weight of the composition:
 - 5 a) about 1% to about 70% of a salicylate-based compound; and
 - b) about 1% to about 70% acetone.
2. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises:
 - a) about 5% to about 30% of a salicylate-based compound; and
 - b) about 20% to about 60% acetone;
- 10 3. The topical composition of claim 2, wherein the composition comprises:
 - (a) about 5% to about 20% of a salicylate-based compound; and
 - (b) about 15% to about 33% acetone;
4. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises about 20% to about 40% menthol.
- 15 5. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition comprises alpha-pinene, beta-pinene, Eucalyptol, limonene, sabine, myrcene, menthene, alpha-phellandrene, linalool, isopulegol, junipene, alpha-terpinene, gamma-terpinene, camphene and water.
6. The topical composition of claim 1 wherein said salicylate-based compound is methyl-salicylate and said emollient is palm oil.
- 20 7. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises:
 - a) about 15% to about 25% acetone;
 - b) about 0.5% to about 10% palm oil;
 - c) about 1% to about 30% alpha-pinene;
 - d) about 0.1% to about 5% beta-pinene;
 - 25 e) about 0.3% to about 5% camphene;
 - f) about 0.3% to about 5% gamma-terpinene;

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- g) about 1.8% to about 5% limonene;
 - h) about 1.5% to about 5% sabinene;
 - i) about 0.4% to about 5% myrcene;
 - j) about 0.04% to about 5% menthene;
 - k) about 0.05% to about 5% alpha-phellandrene;
 - l) about 0.02% to about 5% linalool;
 - m) about 0.01% to about 5% isopulegol;
 - n) about 0.09% to about 5% junipene;
 - 10 o) about 0.13% to about 5% alpha-terpinene;
 - p) about 5.6% to about 2% Eucalyptol;
 - q) about 15% to about 40% menthol;
 - r) about 5% to about 30% methyl salicylate; and
 - s) about 01.% to about 5% water.
- 15 8. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises:
- a) about 15% to about 35% acetone;
 - b) about 0.5% to about 10% of an emollient;
 - c) about 1% to about 30% alpha-pinene;
 - d) about 0.1% to about 5% beta-pinene;
 - 20 e) about 0.1% to about 5% limonene;
 - f) about 0.1% to about 5% sabinene;
 - g) about 0.4% myrcene;
 - h) about 1% to about 20% Eucalyptol;
 - i) about 15% to about 40% menthol; and
 - 25 j) about 5% to about 30% methyl salicylate.
9. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises:

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- a) about 15% to about 35% acetone;
 - b) about 0.5% to about 10% of an emollient;
 - c) about 1% to about 30% alpha-pinene;
 - d) about 1% to about 20% Eucalyptol;
 - e) about 15% to about 40% menthol; and
 - f) about 5% to about 30% methyl salicylate.
10. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein said composition comprises:
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- a) about 15% to about 35% acetone;
 - b) about 0.5% to about 10% of an emollient;
 - c) about 1% to about 30% alpha-pinene;
 - d) about 15% to about 40% menthol; and
 - e) about 5% to about 30% methyl salicylate.
11. The topical compositions of claim 1, wherein the acetone, salicylate-based
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- compound and emollient are commercial grade.
12. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a gel.
13. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of an ointment.
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14. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a cream.
15. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a salve.
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16. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a lotion.

17. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of a spray.
18. The topical composition of claim 1, wherein the composition is in the form of an aerosol.
19. A topical composition for treating pain associated with cancer wherein the composition comprises the composition of claim 1.
20. A topical composition for treating neck pain comprising the composition of claim 1.